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TAGS: PINT, PFOR, GW, US

SUBJECT: KOHL'S PLANNED VISIT TO THE UNITED STATES

1. CDU LEADER HELMUT KOHL HAS TOLD ME THAT HE IS NOW HOPING TO BE ABLE TO VISIT THE UNITED STATES IN SEPTEMBER OR OCTOBER OF THIS YEAR. HE SAID THAT THE PRECISE DATES FOR HIS VISIT WOULD, OF COURSE, DEPEND ON THE SCHEDULES OF SENIOR AMERICAN POLITICAL LEADERS.

2. KOHL ALSO SAID THAT HE WAS WRITING SEPARATELY TO PRESIDENT CARTER IN ORDER TO GIVE THE PRESIDENT HIS VIEWS ON THE OUTCOME OF THE LONDON SUMMIT (AND HOW THE DECISIONS OF THE LONDON SUMMIT SHOULD BE REALIZED HERE) AS WELL AS ON HUMAN RIGHTS. HE POINTED OUT THAT HE FULLY SUPPORTED THE PRESIDENT'S GOALS AND IDEALS.

3. COMMENT: IT IS, OF COURSE, IMPOSSIBLE TO PREDICT FUTURE POLITICAL TRENDS HERE, BUT KOHL AT THIS POINT
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WOULD CERTAINLY APPEAR TO STAND A GOOD CHANCE OF BEING A FUTURE CHANCELLOR OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC, PERHAPS EVEN WITHIN THE NEXT YEAR OR TWO. THEREFORE, I BELIEVE IT WOULD BE VERY MUCH IN U.S. INTERESTS FOR THE PRESIDENT AS WELL AS FOR THE SECRETARY TO BE PREPARED TO SEE KOHL WHEN HE COMES TO WASHINGTON. IN FACT, I AM CERTAIN THAT KOHL WOULD NOT COME TO WASHINGTON UNLESS HE WERE ASSURED

THAT HE WOULD BE MEETING WITH THE PRESIDENT AND WITH THE
SECRETARY (AS HE MET WITH THEIR PREDECESSORS DURING HIS
LAST VISIT). I EXPECT TO HEAR MORE FROM KOHL'S OFFICE
ABOUT HIS PLANS AND WOULD WELCOME ANY PRELIMINARY GUIDANCE
THAT I COULD GIVE HIM REGARDING POSSIBLE TIMING OF HIS
VISIT.
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